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SUBJECT: PREPARATIONS FOR 1979 WORLD ADMINISTRATIVE RADIO
CONFERENCE (WARC) - PROPOSED VISITS.

REF: STATE A-377 OF JANUARY 25, 1977.

1. REFAIR PROVIDED INFORMATION CONCERNING BACKGROUND AND
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STATUS OF U.S. PREPARATIONS FOR 1979 WARC. EACH ADDRESSEE
POST RESPONDED TO DEPARTMENT'S REQUEST FOR INITIAL
CONTACT WITH APPROPRIATE TELECOMMUNICATIONS OFFICIALS
AND REPORTED RESULTS. THE PURPOSE OF THIS CABLE IS TO
PROPOSE DATES FOR VISIT BY A SMALL U.S. TEAM TO DISCUSS
THE CONFERENCE.

2. MEETING WITH MEXICAN OFFICIALS IS DEPARTMENT'S HIGHEST PRIORITY, THEREFORE, OTHER VISITS WILL BE PLANNED AROUND IT. EMBASSY ASSISTANCE IS REQUESTED IN ARRANGING FOR MEETINGS ON FOLLOWING DATES:

- A. SAN JOSE - APRIL 18;
- B. MEXICO - APRIL 20 AND 21;
- C. CARACAS - APRIL 24 AND 25;
- D. KINGSTON - APRIL 27.

3. PURPOSE OF VISIT IS TO CARRY OUT INFORMAL, PRELIMINARY DISCUSSIONS THROUGH AN EXCHANGE OF VIEWS (EMPHASIS ON EXCHANGE) ON MAJOR ISSUES EXPECTED TO ARISE AT THE 1979 WARC. THE DEPARTMENT REALIZES THAT MANY TELECOMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITIES AND/OR AGENCIES HAVE NOT YET STARTED DETAILED PREPARATION OR GIVEN THE MATTER MUCH THOUGHT. HOWEVER, IT IS OUR HOPE THAT DISCUSSIONS AT THIS TIME, PRIOR TO DEVELOPMENT OF DRAFT PROPOSALS LATER THIS YEAR, WILL HELP THE U.S. OBTAIN A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE REQUIREMENTS AND VIEWS OF OUR LATIN NEIGHBORS. (FYI: U.S. TEAMS HAVE ALREADY VISITED BRAZIL, URUGUAY, ARGENTINA, CHILE AND COLOMBIA.) DEPARTMENT CONSIDERS EACH PROPOSED VISIT TO BE AN IMPORTANT PART OF A SYSTEMATIC APPROACH TO U.S. WARC PREPARATION.

4. IT IS SUGGESTED THAT DISCUSSION BE GUIDED BY THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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WARC AGENDA (WHICH SHOULD BE KNOWN TO OFFICIALS) OR BY THE FOLLOWING AGENDA:

- A. GENERAL DISCUSSION OF WARC AGENDA AND IMPORTANCE OF THE CONFERENCE;
- B. TABLE OF FREQUENCY ALLOCATIONS AND THE NEED TO SATISFY REQUIREMENTS OF BOTH DEVELOPING AND DEVELOPED COUNTRIES. IN PARTICULAR, THE FOLLOWING TOPICS ARE OF INTEREST:
 - 1. BANDS BELOW 3 MHZ INCLUDING AM-BROADCASTING;
 - 2. HIGH FREQUENCY BANDS (3-30 MHZ);
 - 3. MOBILE REQUIREMENTS (30-1000 MHZ);
 - 4. SATELLITE SERVICE REQUIREMENTS INCLUDING FIXED, BROADCASTING, AERONAUTICAL, MARITIME AND MOBILE;
 - 5. IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE FOR ALLOCATION CHANGES;

C. COORDINATION AND NOTIFICATION PROCEDURES;

D. REARRANGEMENT OF THE RADIO REGULATIONS;

E. PROGRAM FOR FUTURE WARCS.

DEPARTMENT IS ESPECIALLY INTERESTED IN ANY SPECIFIC MATTERS HOST COUNTRY OFFICIALS WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS; HOWEVER, THE TEAM WILL NOT BE PREPARED GENERALLY TO TREAT NON-WARC ISSUES.

5. TEAM WILL CONSIST OF RICHARD SHRUM, DEPARTMENT OF STATE (EB/TD) - TEAM LEADER; EDWARD JACOBS, FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION (FCC); JAMES MCELROY, NATIONAL LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION (NASA) (SPEAKS SPANISH FLUENTLY); AND ONE OTHER MEMBER. BASIC TEAM WILL BE AUGMENTED FOR MEXICO CITY ONLY BY FOLLOWING SENIOR OFFICIALS: S. E. PROBST, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR FREQUENCY MANAGEMENT, OFFICE OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS POLICY (OTP) AND R. L. CUTTS, CHIEF OF INTERNATIONAL AND OPERATIONS DIVISION, FCC. TEAM IS PREPARED TO DISCUSS ALL ISSUES RELATING TO 1979 WARC AND WILL BE AVAILABLE TO MEET ANY TIME DURING STAY IN EACH CITY. AN EMBASSY OFFICER IS INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN MEETING. IN ADDITION, EACH EMBASSY IS ENCOURAGED TO SCHEDULE BRIEFING FOR POST OFFICERS AT ANY TIME AVAILABLE. DEPARTMENT IS AIR POUCHING SOME U.S. DOCUMENTATION ON 1979 WARC (I.E., FCC'S FIFTH NOTICE OF INQUIRY), WHICH IS THE ONLY MATERIAL RELEASABLE AT THIS TIME. TEAM WILL BRING LATEST U.S. VIEWS IF AVAILABLE BY DATE OF VISIT.

6. ACTION REQUESTED:

A. PLEASE CONTACT APPROPRIATE HOST GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL(S) AND ARRANGE FOR VISIT OF SMALL U.S. TEAM ON DAYS SHOWN IN PARAGRAPH 2. WE SUGGEST THAT FOREIGN AFFAIRS REPRESENTATIVES SHOULD PARTICIPATE IN DISCUSSIONS, PARTICULARLY WHERE THEY PLAY A ROLE IN DEVELOPING THEIR COUNTRY'S POSITION TO THE WARC.

B. PLEASE ADVISE PLACE AND TIME FOR DISCUSSIONS, LIST OF EXPECTED PARTICIPANTS AND POSITIONS (IF AVAILABLE), ADDITIONAL ISSUES FOR DISCUSSION, AND NAME/PHONE NUMBER OF EMBASSY CONTACT OFFICER.

C. REPLY BY COB, FRIDAY, MARCH 24, WOULD BE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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APPRECIATED. SPECIFIC ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE TIMES
WILL BE PROVIDED LATER.

7. FOR MEXICO: REFERENCE (A) EMBASSY 2433,
(B) EMBASSY 18590, (C) STATE 27357 (ALL 1977). AS
STATED ABOVE, MEXICAN VISIT IS HIGHEST PRIORITY.
PROPOSED MEETING IS THE ONE MENTIONED IN REFTELS (B)
AND (C) TO DISCUSS THE 1979 WARC. PROPOSED DATES ARE
HIGHLY PREFERRED ON OUR SIDE; HOWEVER, ALTERNATIVE
DATES OF MAY 1-2 MAY BE SUGGESTED IF ESSENTIAL TO
OBTAINING AGREEMENT TO MEETING DURING THIS TIME PERIOD.
OTHER DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL COMMITMENTS FROM MAY 4
ONWARD EFFECTIVELY RULE OUT U.S.-MEXICAN TALKS UNTIL

JULY OR AUGUST, WHICH IS MUCH TOO LATE FOR OUR PURPOSES.
TWO FULL DAYS OF DISCUSSIONS ARE DESIRED.

8. FOR SAN JOSE: REF EMBASSY A-7 OF 2/15/77. ITU
HAS CIRCULATED SEVERAL DOCUMENTS, INCLUDING AGENDA,
TO ALL ADMINISTRATIONS SO COSTA RICAN OFFICIALS SHOULD
BE AWARE OF WARC BY NOW. IN VIEW OF IMPORTANCE,
DEPARTMENT WILL BE SURPRISED IF COSTA RICA DOES NOT
ATTEND CONFERENCE AS REPORTED REFAIR. IN MAKING
ARRANGEMENTS FOR VISIT (1 FULL DAY DESIRED), EMBASSY
MAY WISH TO CONTACT MR. LOUIS DELAFLEUR, A ONE-TIME
FCC OFFICIAL WHO PRESENTLY RUNS A SMALL TELECOMMUNI-
CATIONS CONSULTING FIRM IN SAN JOSE. HE HAS A GOOD
KNOWLEDGE OF LOCAL OFFICIALS AND ORGANIZATION, AND
HAS ALREADY TALKED TO SOME OF THEM ABOUT THE WARC.
TEAM WOULD BE INTERESTED IN TALKING TO DELAFLEUR DURING
VISIT. HIS HOME PHONE IS 221-463.

9. FOR KINGSTON: REF EMBASSY A-15 OF 2/25/77.
MEETING OF ABOUT 3-4 HOURS SHOULD BE ADEQUATE FOR OUR
PURPOSE.

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10. FOR CARACAS: REFERENCE (A) EMBASSY A-20 OF
2/14/77; (B) EMBASSY 9832 (1977). PROPOSED MEETING

IS REPLACEMENT FOR VISIT ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED FOR
OCTOBER 1977, BUT CANCELLED AT LAST MINUTE IN VIEW
OF YOUR REPORT IN REFTEL (B). KEY OFFICIAL FOR ITU
MATTERS IS CARLOS JULIO MARTINEZ, DIRECTOR OF

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS,
WHO HAS LED GOV DELEGATION TO RECENT WARCS AND IS
ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE. HE WILL
HOPEFULLY PARTICIPATE IN DISCUSSIONS. TWO DAYS
HAVE BEEN INDICATED FOR VISIT, BUT IT MAY BE POSSIBLE
TO REDUCE THAT TIME IF DESIRED BY GOV OFFICIALS. VANCE

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